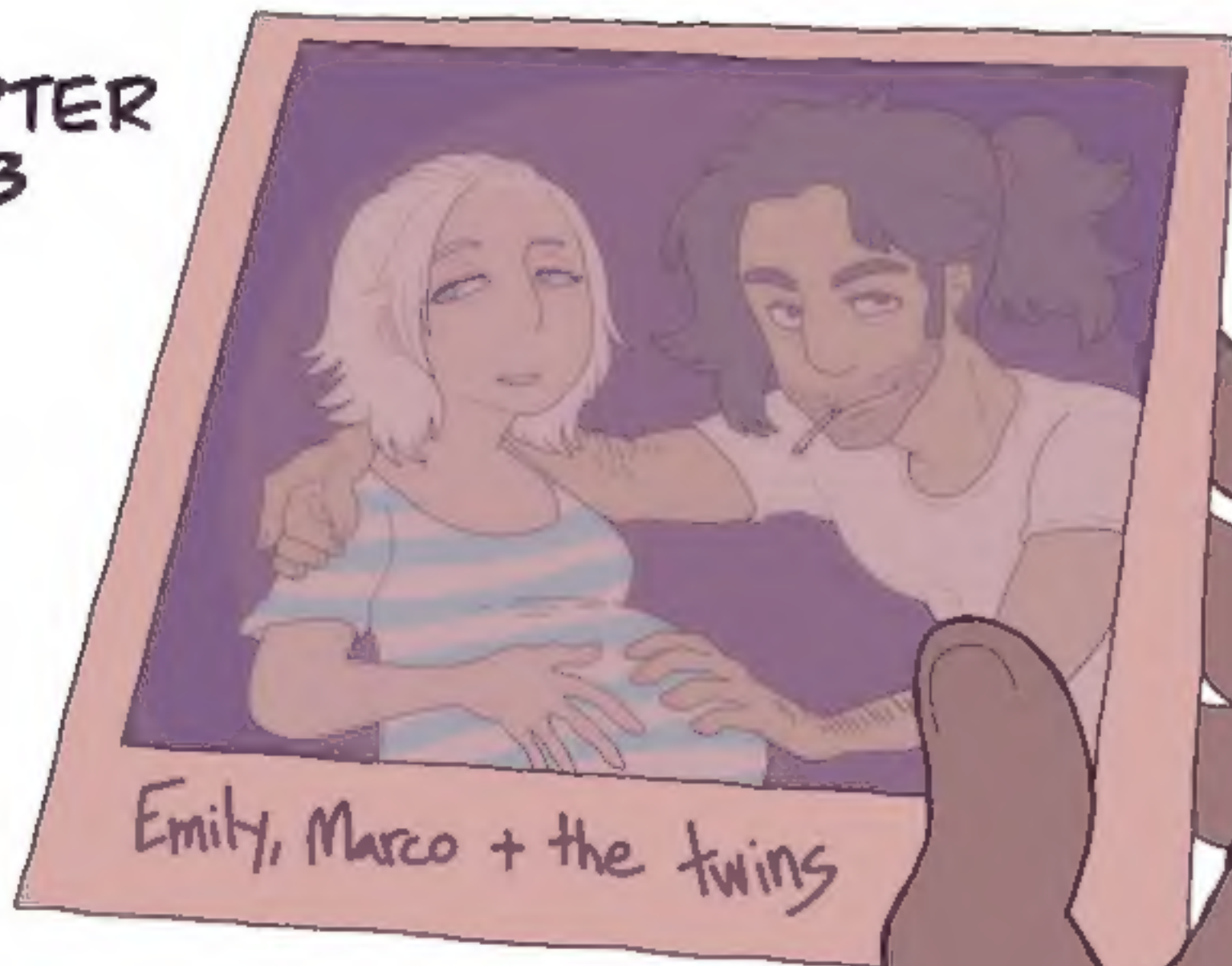


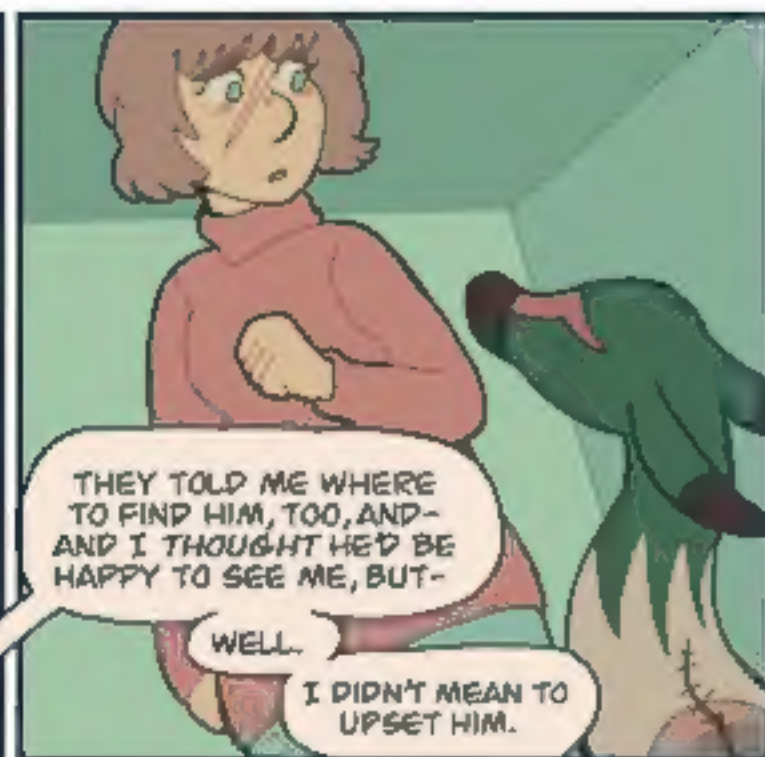
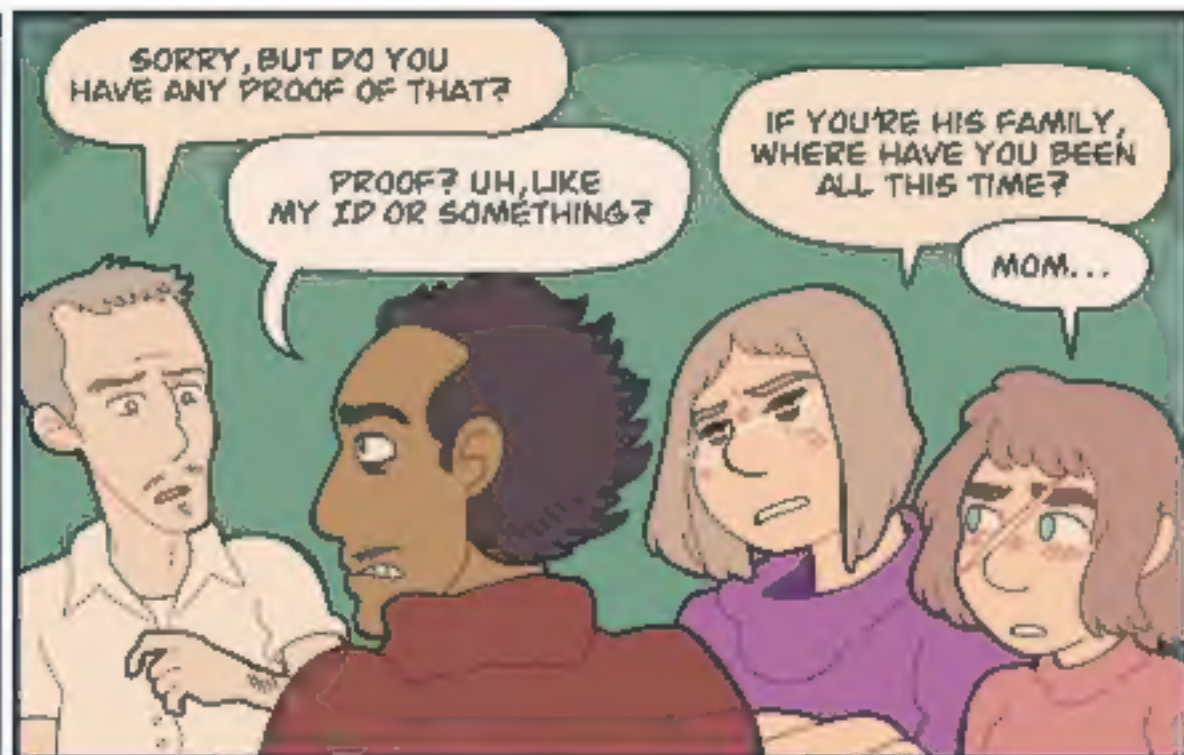
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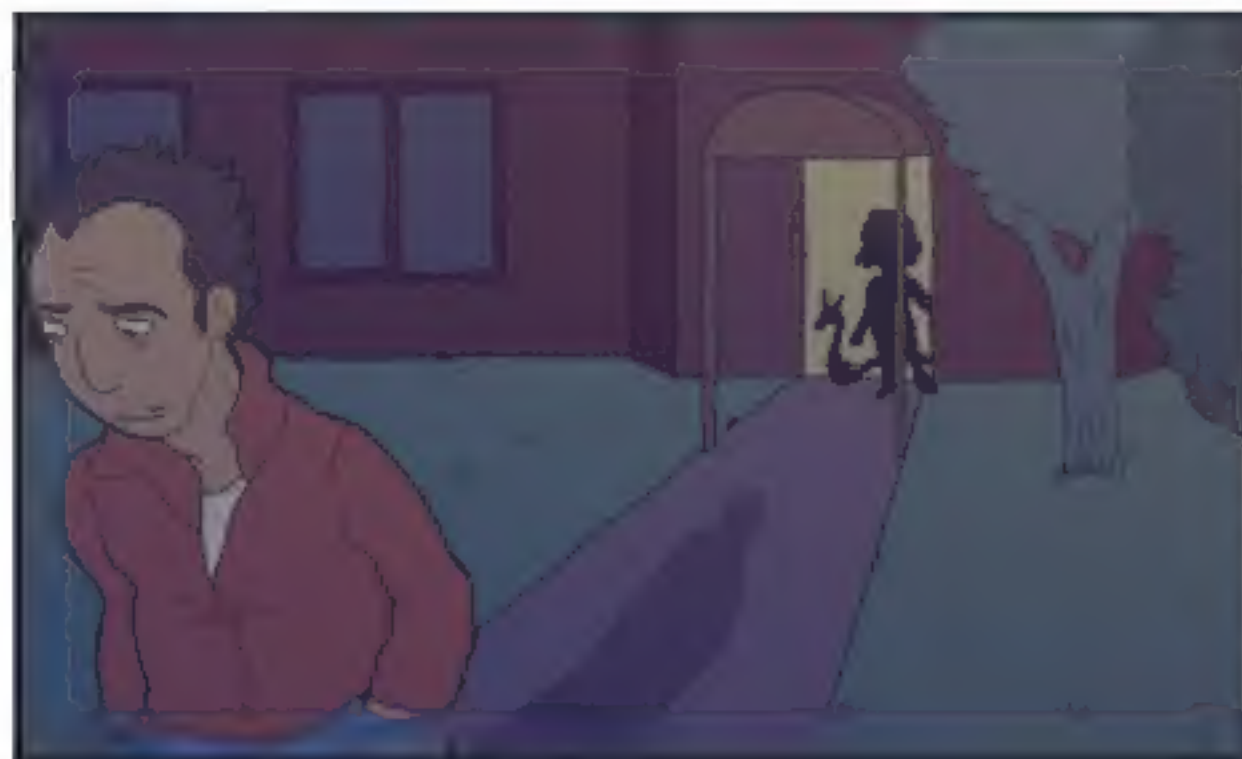


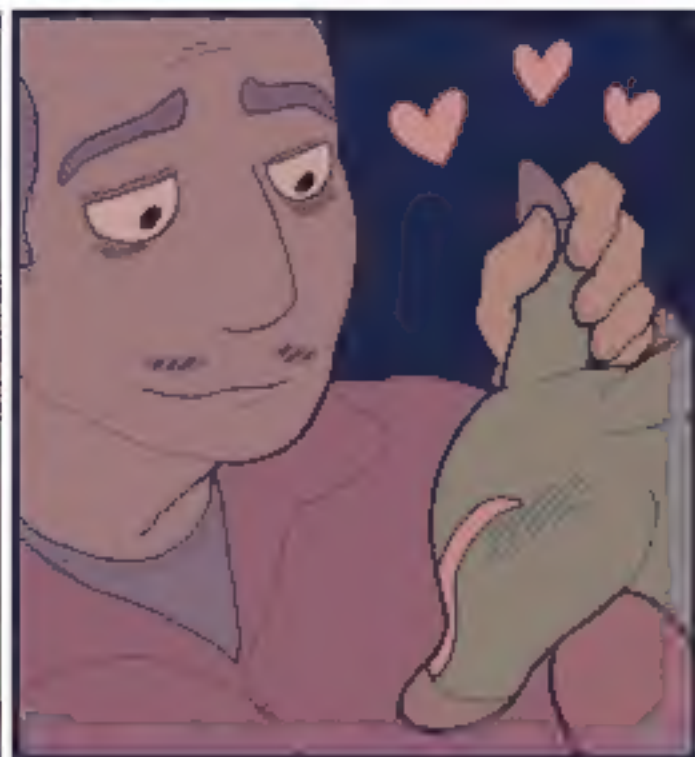
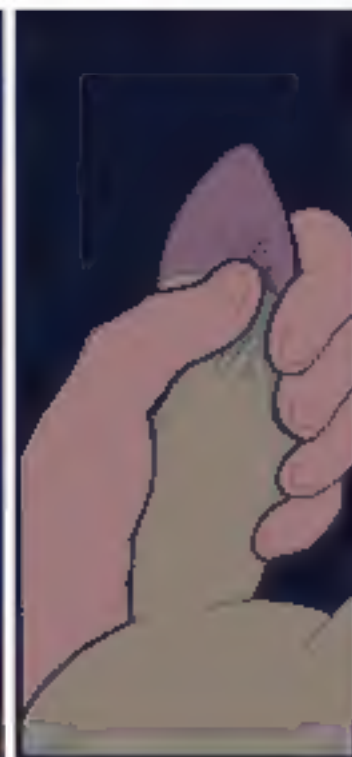
**THREE WEEKS
BEFORE THE BOAT WAS DESTROYED**













SO YOU TALKED
TO SHELL, AND
THEY TOLD YOU-

SO...



I TALKED
TO THAT
BALD GUY,
MAINLY.



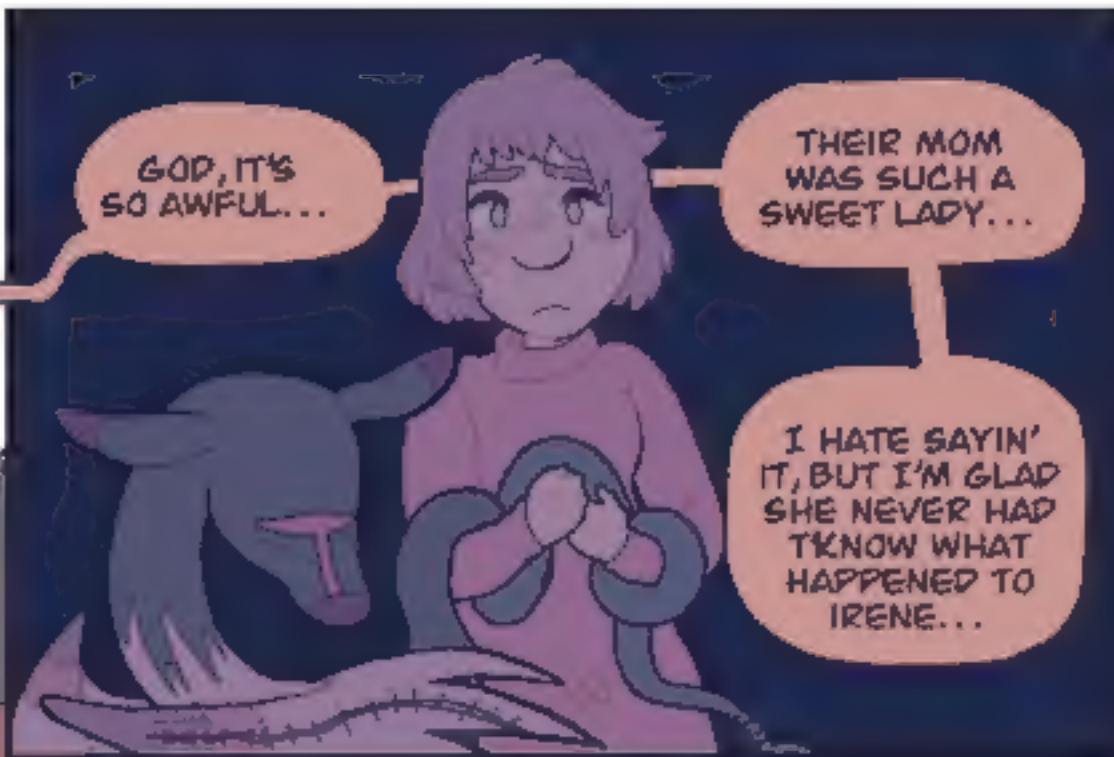
DO YOU KNOW THAT I TOLD
MAUGRAS ABOUT
MY SISTER?

WAIT, YOU MEAN
MAUGRAS?



SO HE TOLD
YOU-

EVERYTHING.
YEAH.



GOD, IT'S
SO AWFUL...

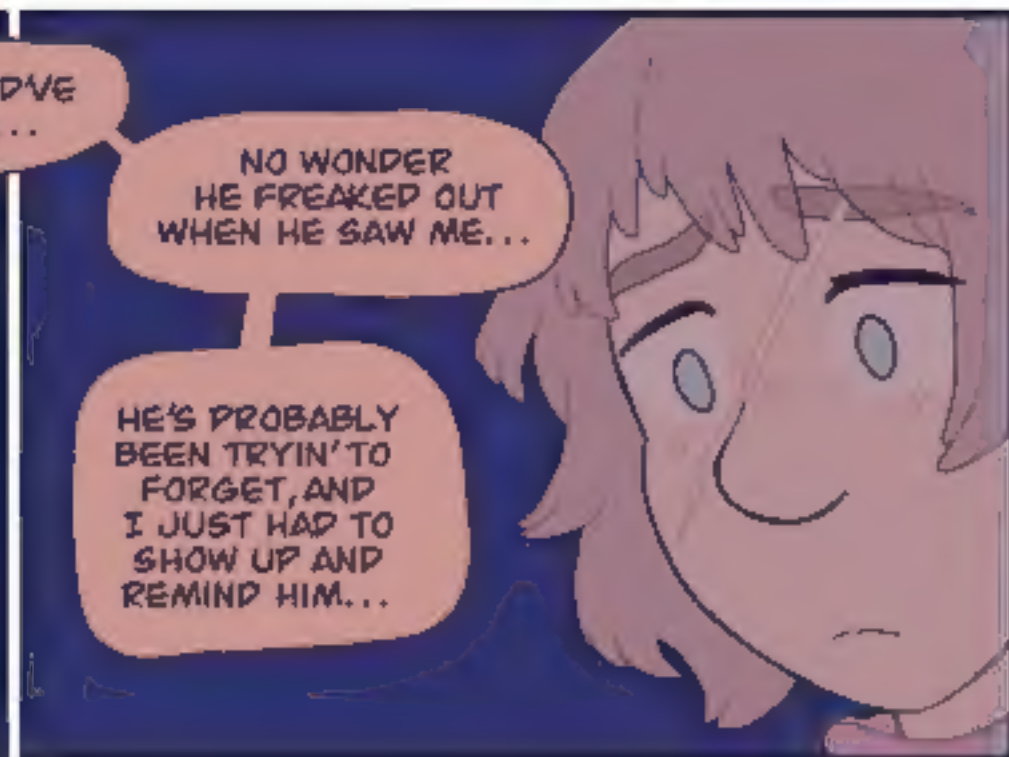
THEIR MOM
WAS SUCH A
SWEET LADY...

I HATE SAYIN'
IT, BUT I'M GLAD
SHE NEVER HAD
TKNOW WHAT
HAPPENED TO
IRENE...



AND POOR
ABEL, HAVIN' TO
GO THROUGH
ALL THAT BY
HIMSELF...

I WISH I COULD'VE
BEEN THERE...



NO WONDER
HE FREAKED OUT
WHEN HE SAW ME...

HE'S PROBABLY
BEEN TRYIN' TO
FORGET, AND
I JUST HAD TO
SHOW UP AND
REMIND HIM...



IT'S NOT YOU.

I THINK ABEL JUST, UH, GOT SCARED...

HE'S BEEN AFRAID FOR SO LONG OF WHAT PEOPLE WOULD THINK ABOUT WHAT HE DID-



"WHAT HE D-"

?!

Y'MEAN, WHEN HE ACTED LIKE ANY DAMN REASONABLE PERSON WOULD ACT?

IF I SAW A GIANT MONSTER ATTACK MY SISTER, I'D TRY TO FIGHT IT OFF TOO.



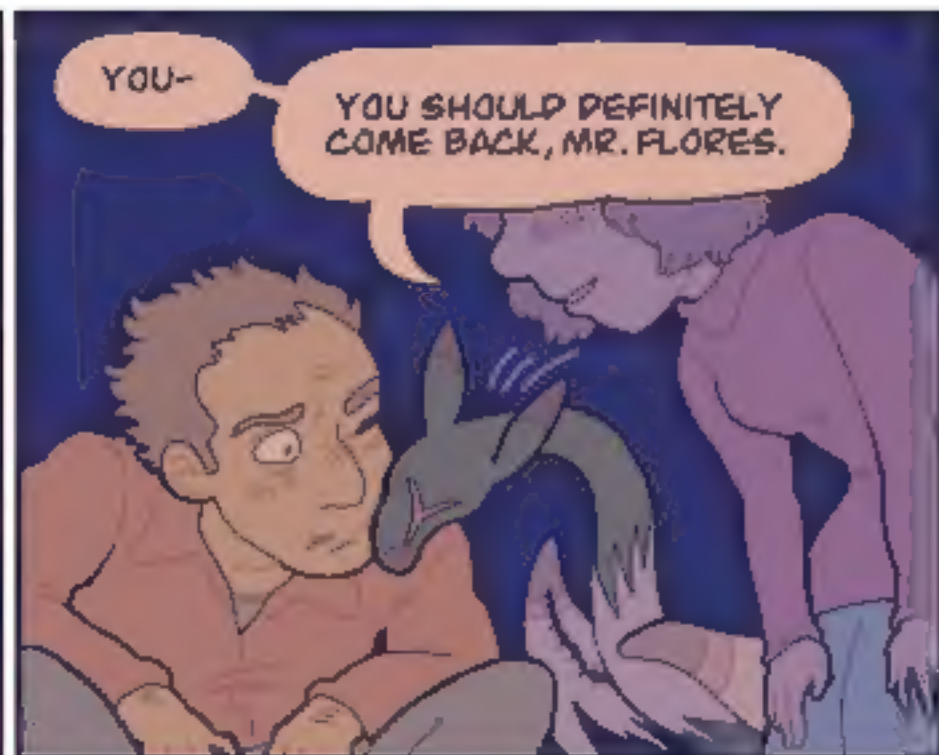
HOW WAS HE SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHAT IT REALLY WAS?

NO WAY THAT'S HIS FAULT.

I GOT WORDS FOR ANY CREEP WHO SAYS IT IS!

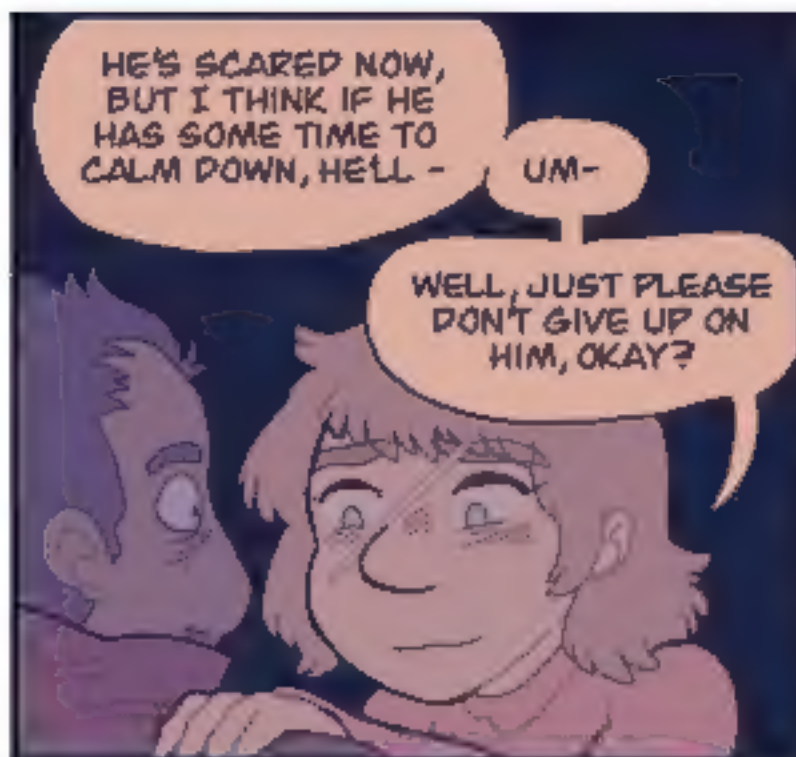


TCH- SORRY,
I JUST-



YOU-

YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY
COME BACK, MR. FLORES.



HE'S SCARED NOW,
BUT I THINK IF HE
HAS SOME TIME TO
CALM DOWN, HE'LL -

UM-

WELL, JUST PLEASE
DON'T GIVE UP ON
HIM, OKAY?



... 'COURSE
I WON'T.

I'LL COME BACK
AND TRY AGAIN.

GOOD.



THANKS, KID.

BUT, UH-

WHO EXACTLY
ARE YOU,
AGAIN?

...



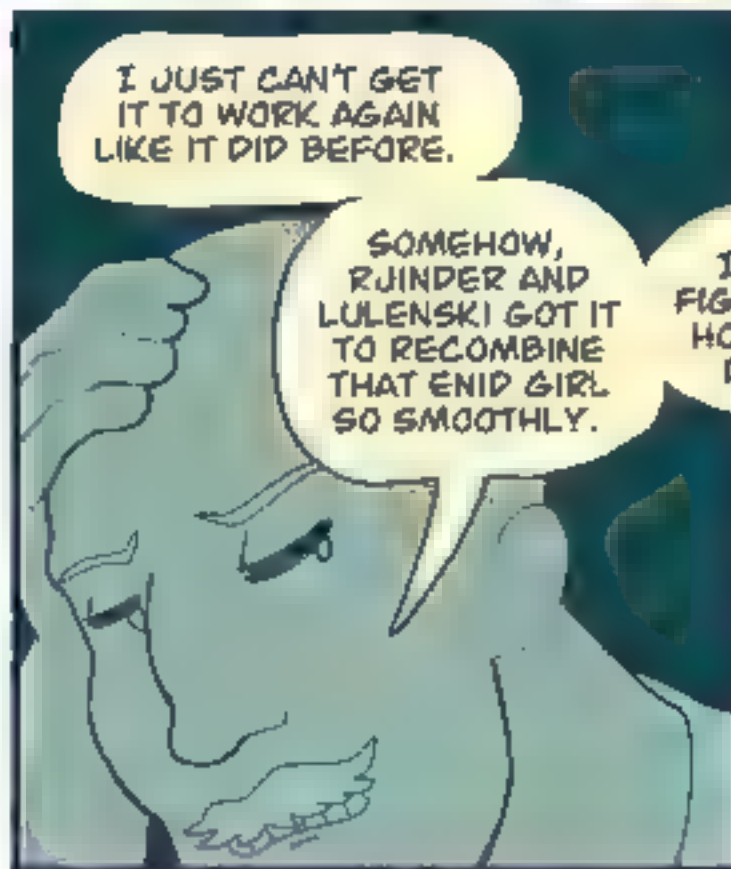
KNOCK, KNOCK.



HOW'S IT
GOING WITH
THE MACHINE?

WELL

I'M DOING THE
BEST I CAN WITH
WHAT I HAVE.



I JUST CAN'T GET
IT TO WORK AGAIN
LIKE IT DID BEFORE.

SOMEHOW,
RJINDER AND
LULENSKI GOT IT
TO RECOMBINE
THAT ENID GIRL
SO SMOOTHLY.

I CAN'T
FIGURE OUT
HOW THEY
DID IT.

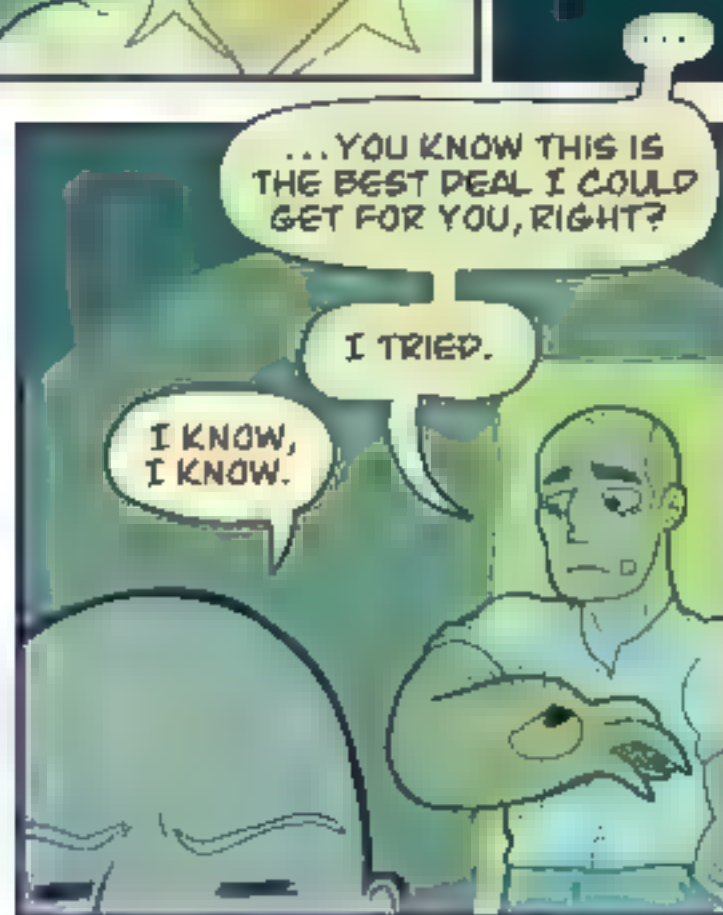
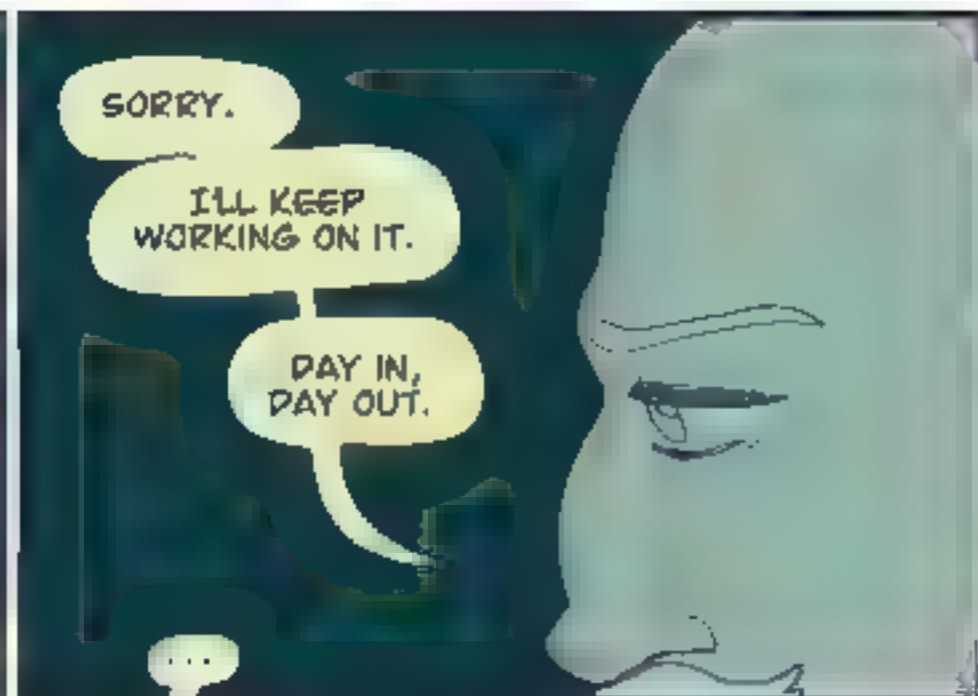


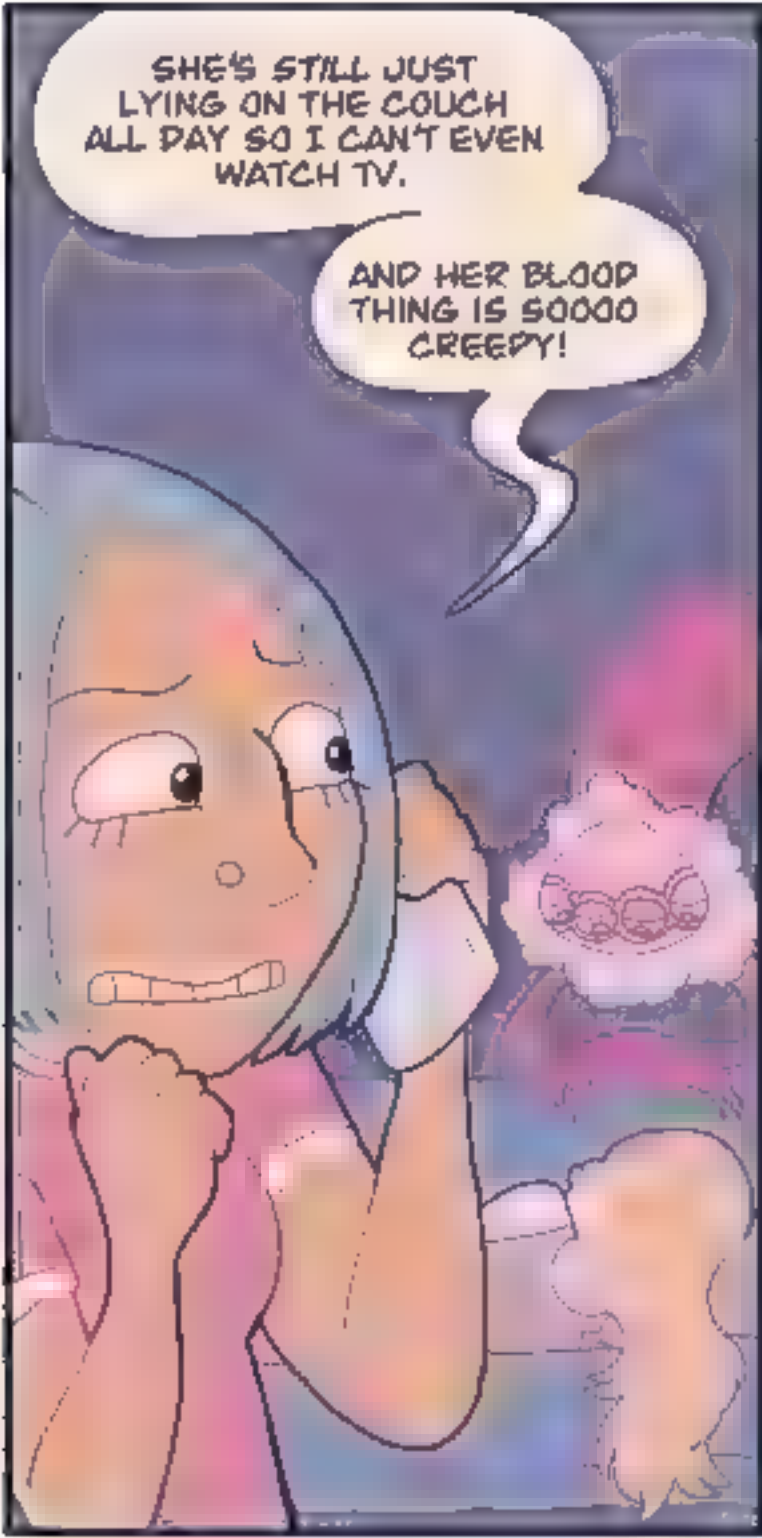
THEIR MINDS WERE
OPERATING ON SOME
HIGHER FREQUENCY.

WOW, HIGH
PRAISE.

TRUST ME,
IT ISN'T.

IT WAS SUCH
A MISTAKE TO LET
THOSE TWO LOOSE
IN THE LAB
TOGETHER.





SHE'S STILL JUST
LYING ON THE COUCH
ALL DAY SO I CAN'T EVEN
WATCH TV.

AND HER BLOOD
THING IS SOOOO
CREEPY!



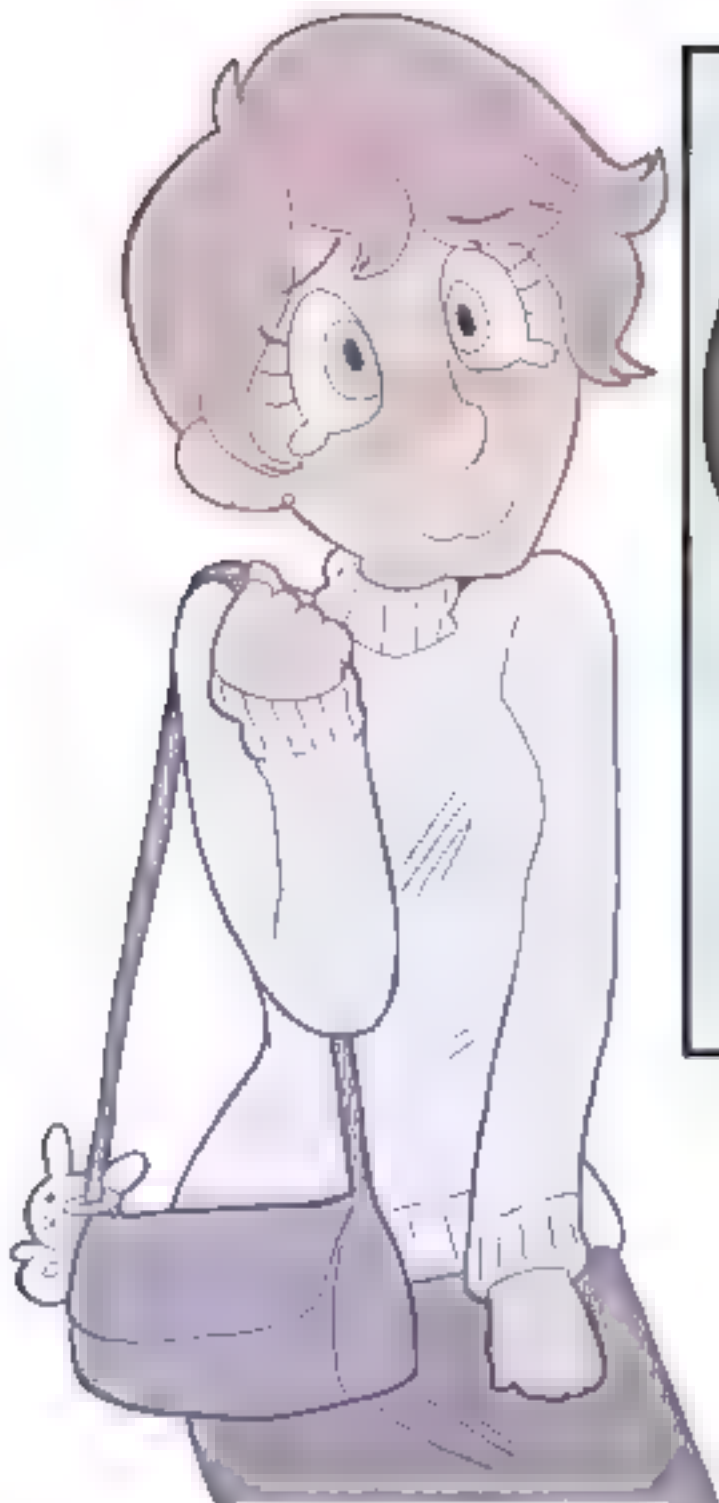
SWEETIE, GET
OVER IT.

SHE'S BEEN THROUGH
A LOT AND WE'RE TRYING
TO DO A KIND THING
FOR HER.

JUST LET HER
REST. I'M GETTING
REAL SICK OF THIS
WHINING.



UGH, FINE

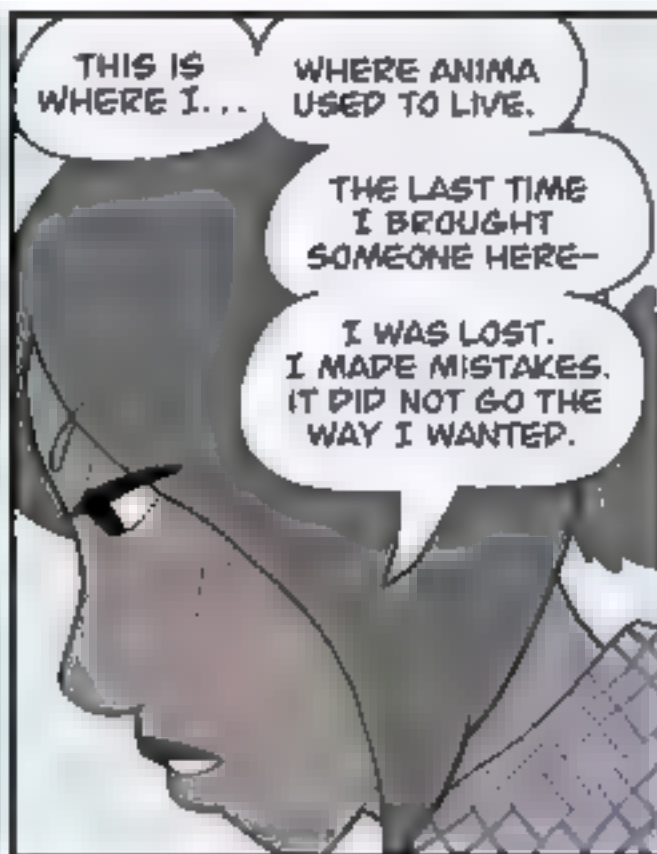




HEE HEE,
THANKS!

SOOOO...

WHY EXACTLY ARE
WE IN A WEIRD OLD
BROKEN-DOWN CHURCH?



THIS IS
WHERE I...

WHERE ANIMA
USED TO LIVE.

THE LAST TIME
I BROUGHT
SOMEONE HERE-

I WAS LOST.
I MADE MISTAKES.
IT DID NOT GO THE
WAY I WANTED.



BUT WITH YOU

IT WILL BE
BETTER.

WE CAN
REMEMBER
SOMETHING NICE
THAT HAPPENED
HERE.



OH...

OKAAAY...

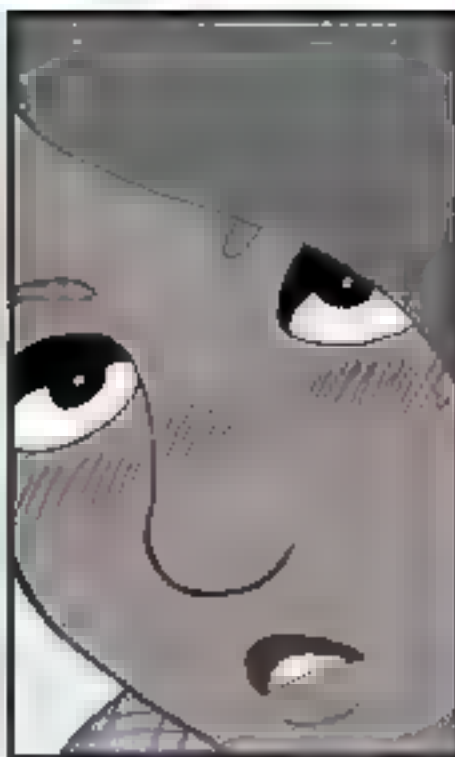
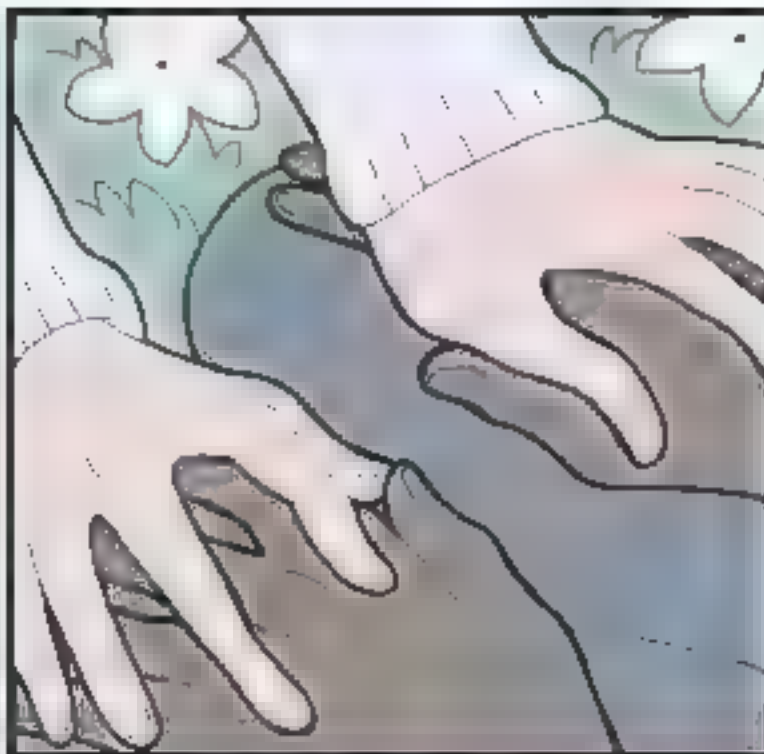
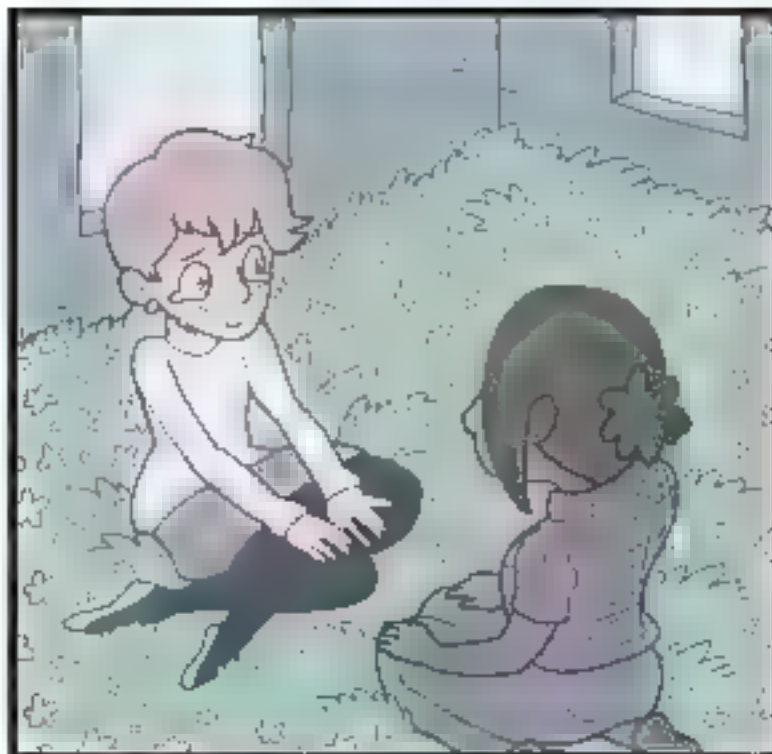
BUT MAYBE NEXT
TIME WE CAN JUST
GO TO A CUTE CAFE,
OR SOMETHING.



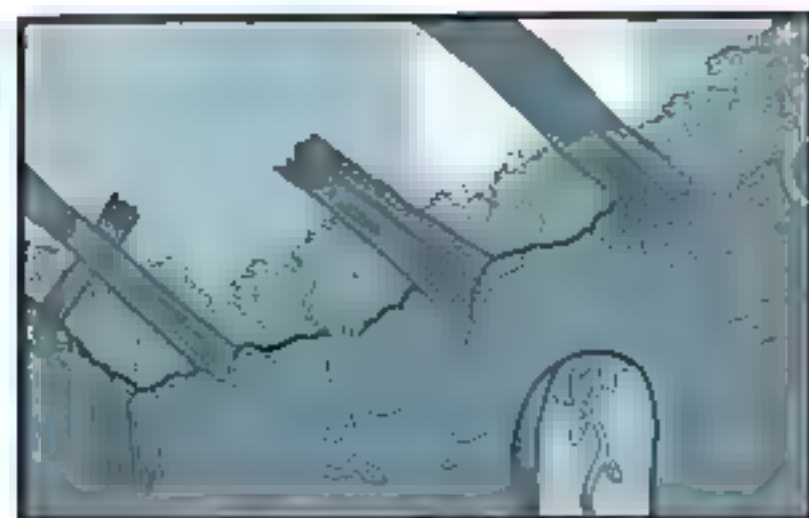
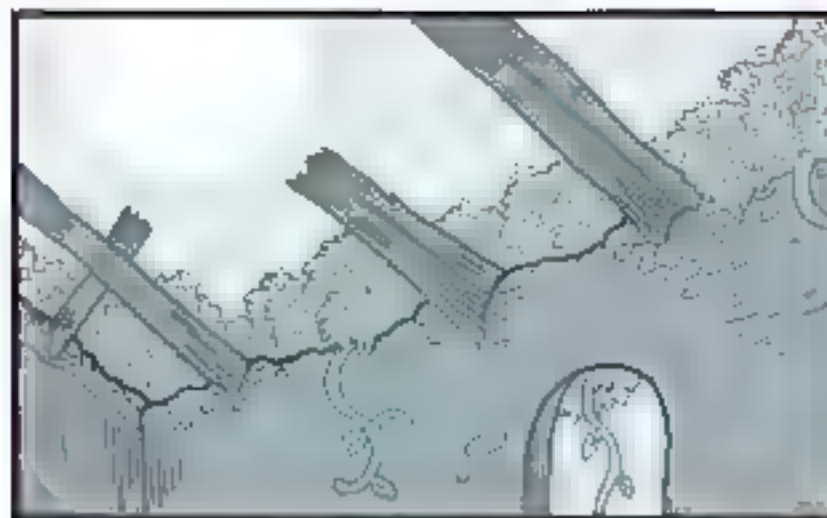
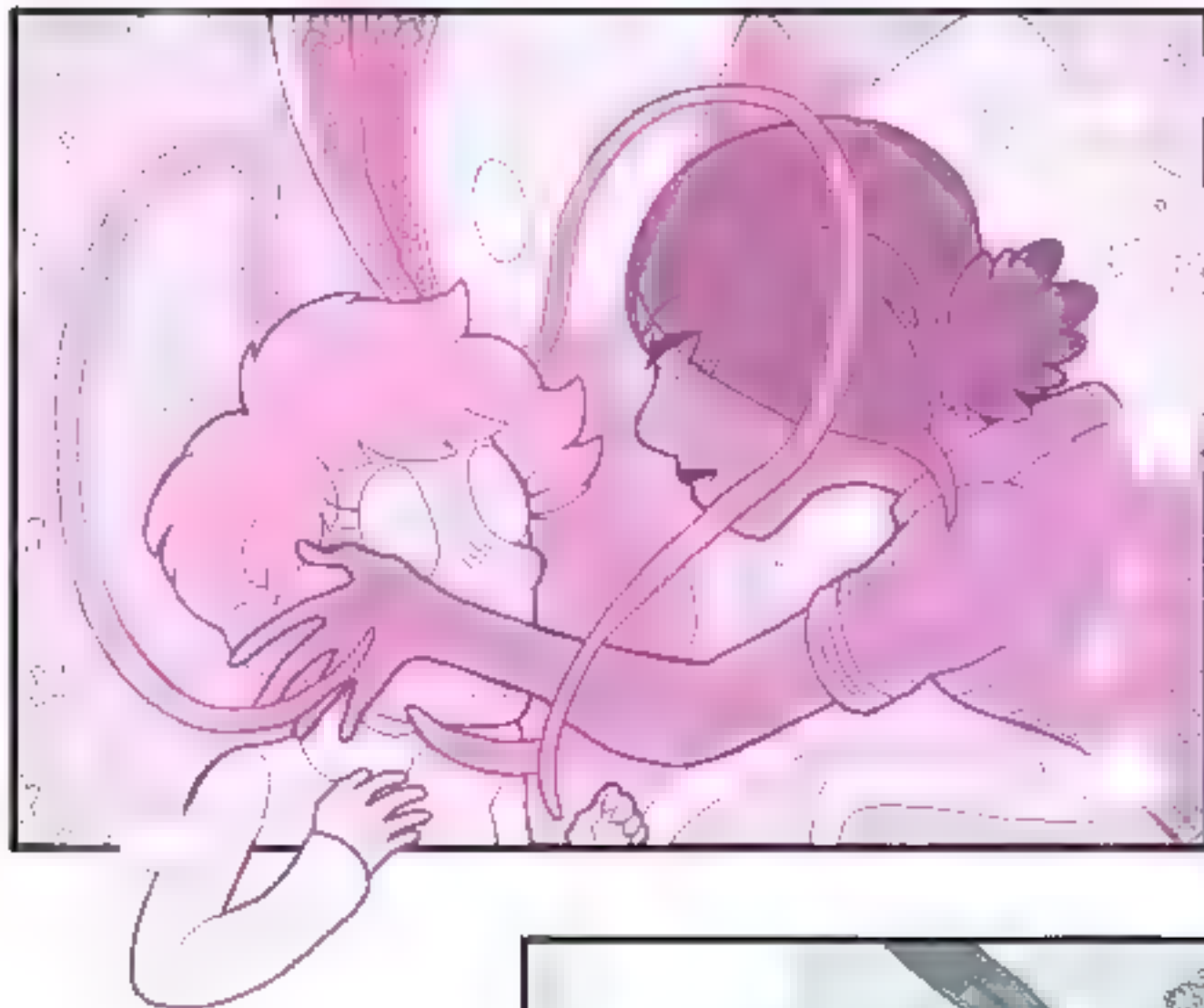
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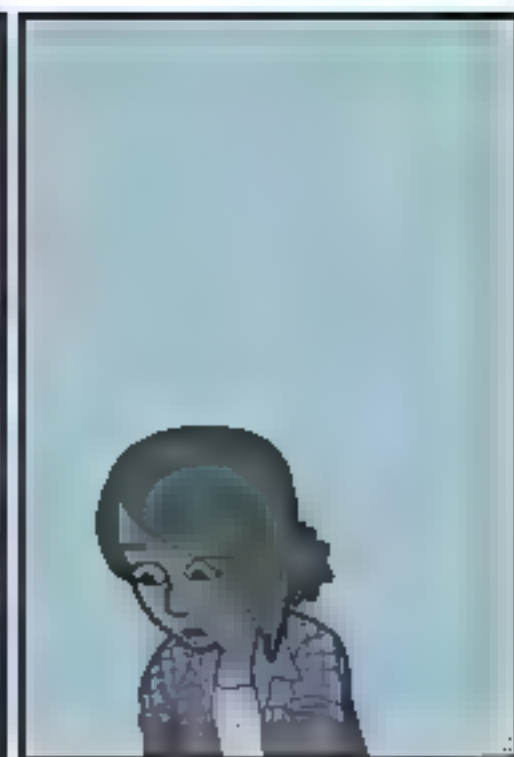
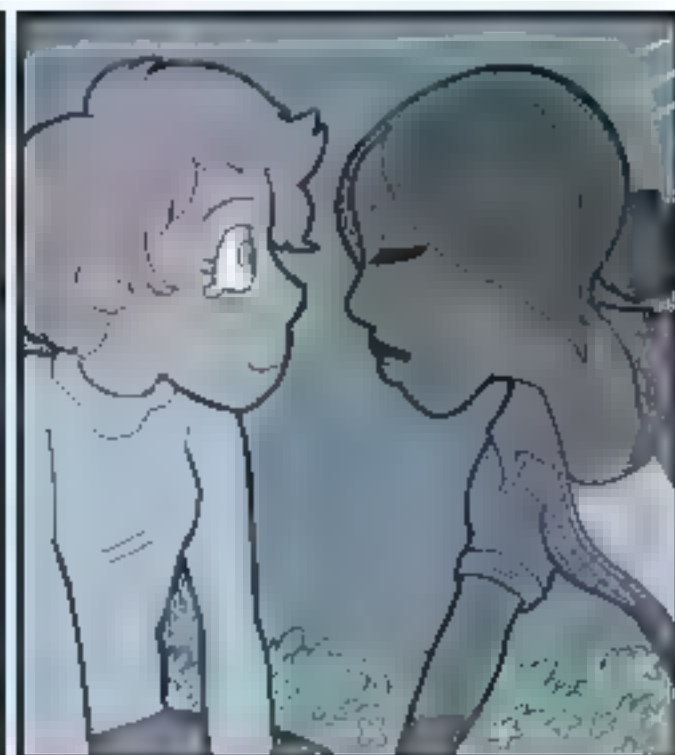
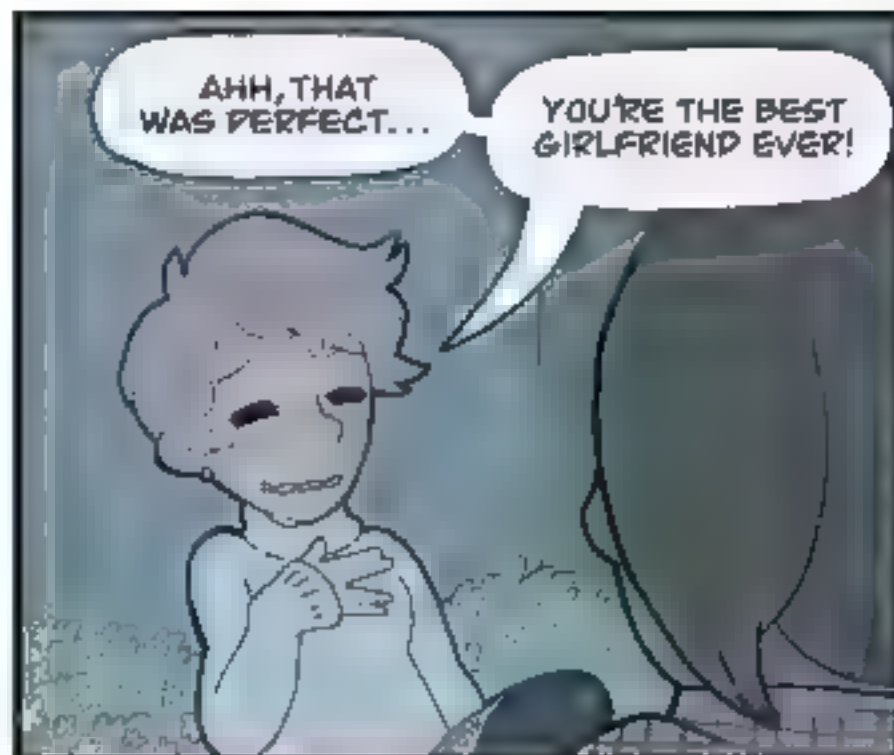
I HAVE MADE
A MISTAKE.

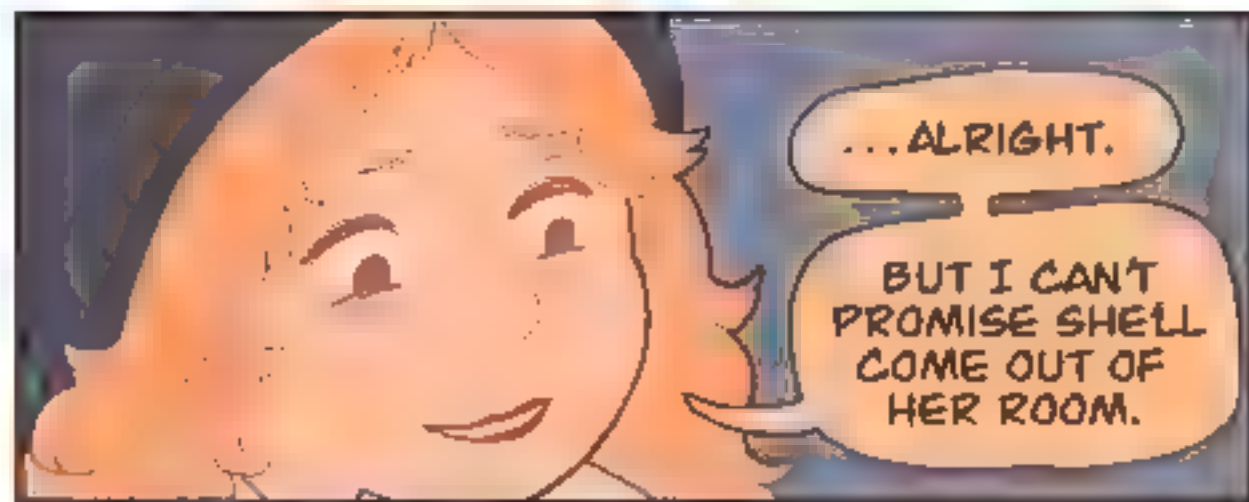
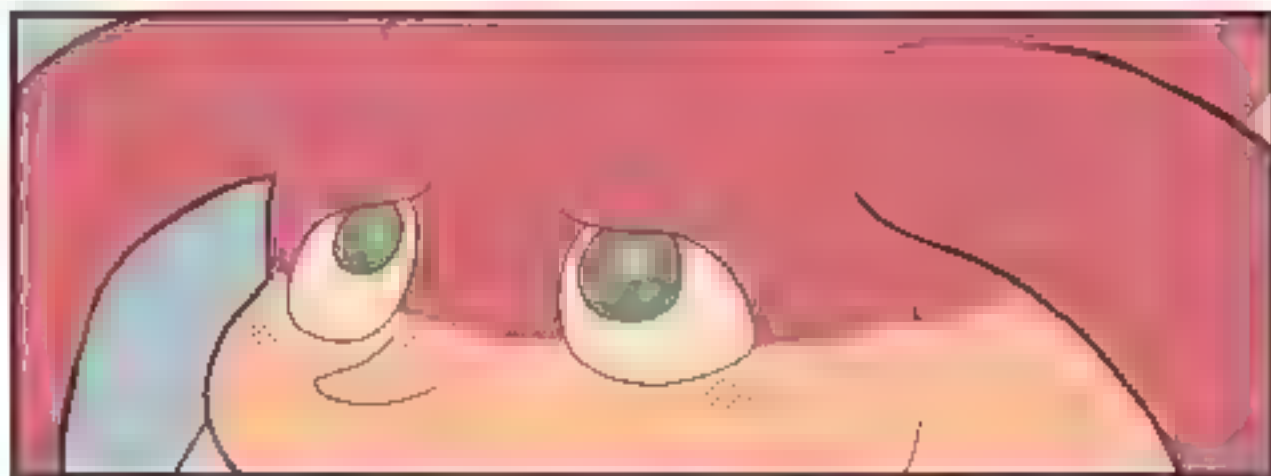
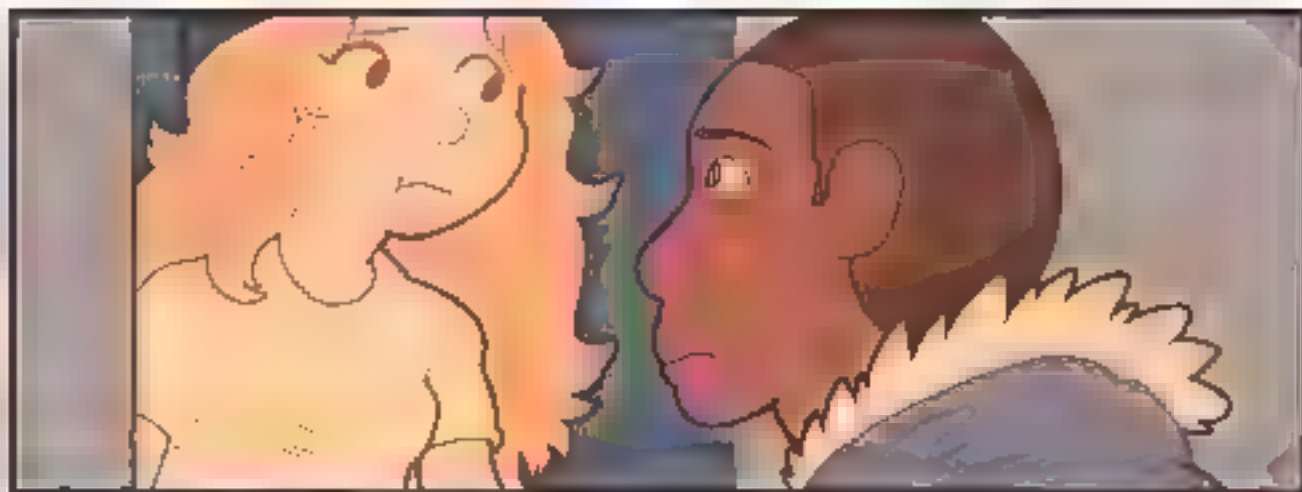
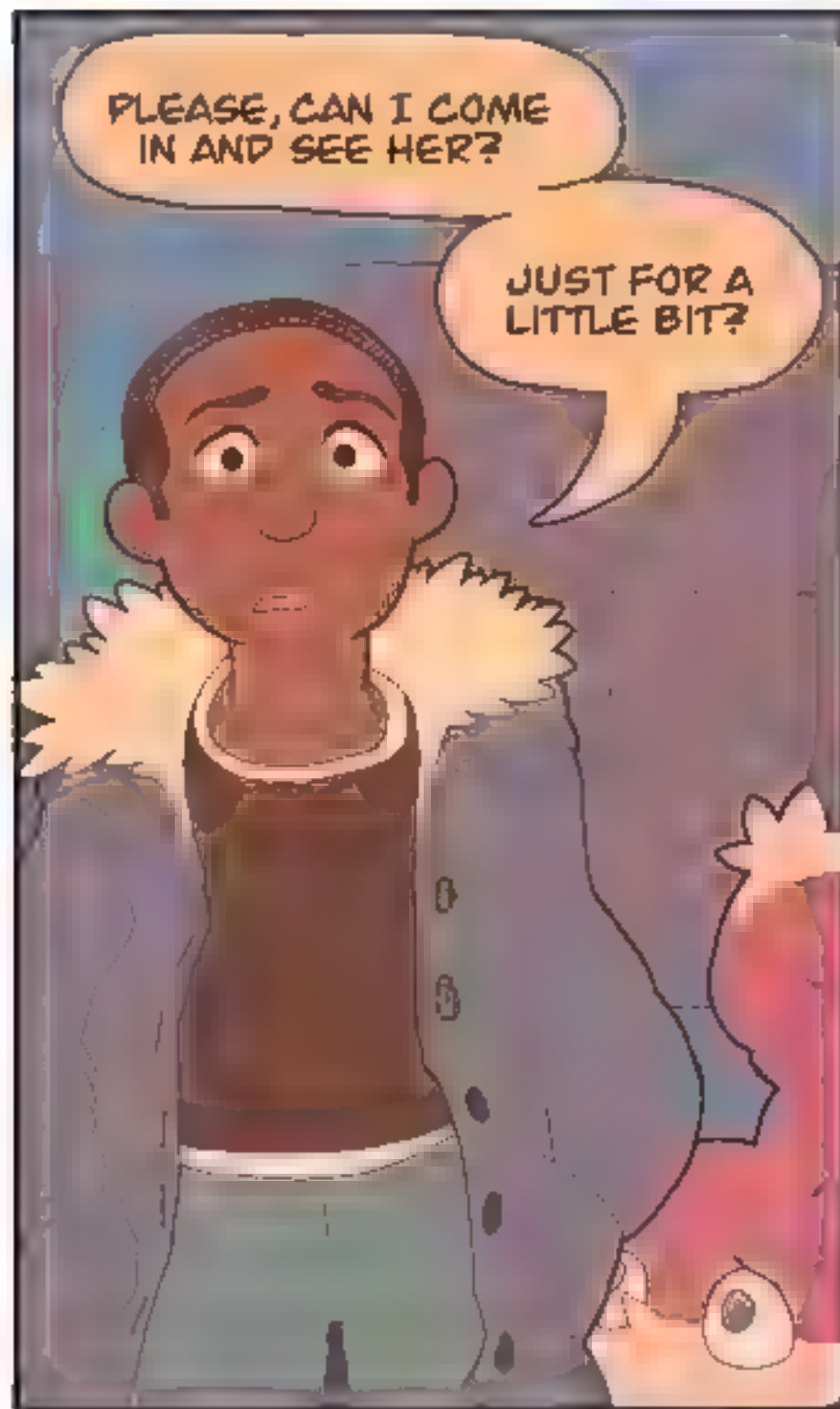
NO NO,
IT'S OKAY,
REALLY!

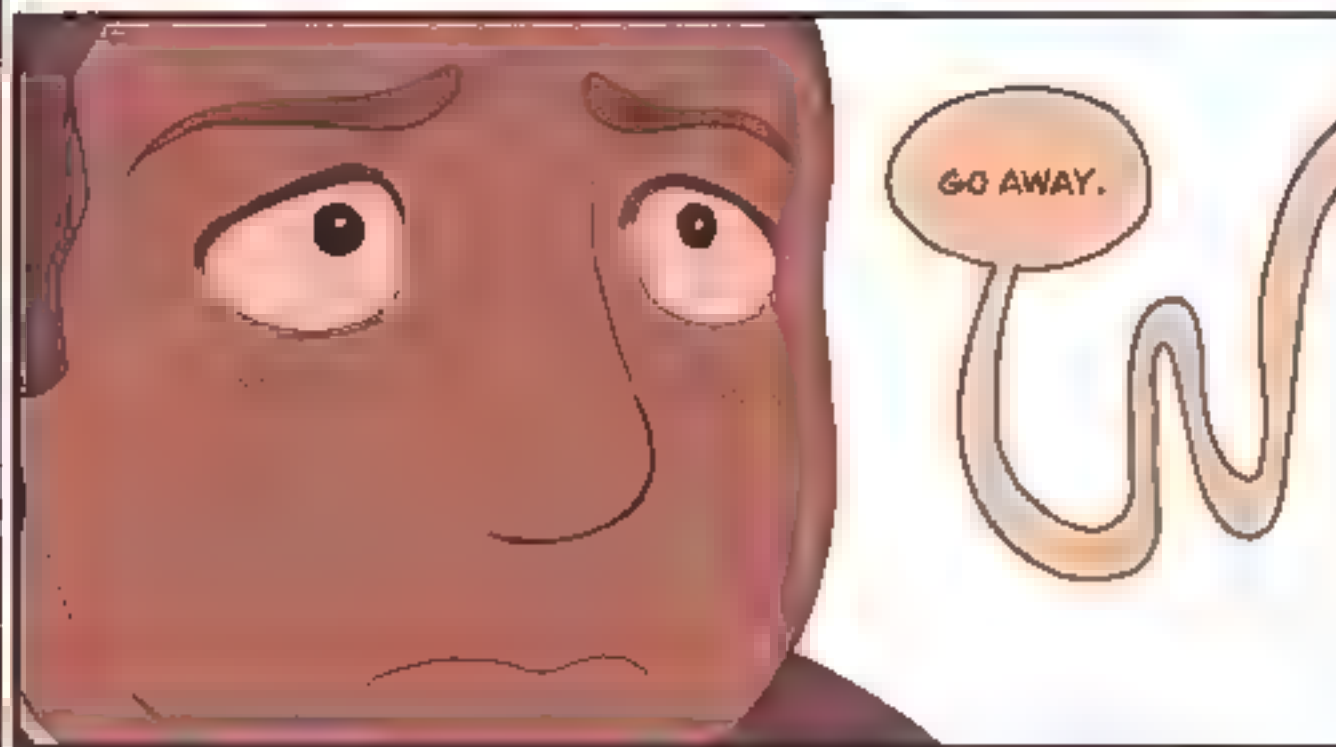
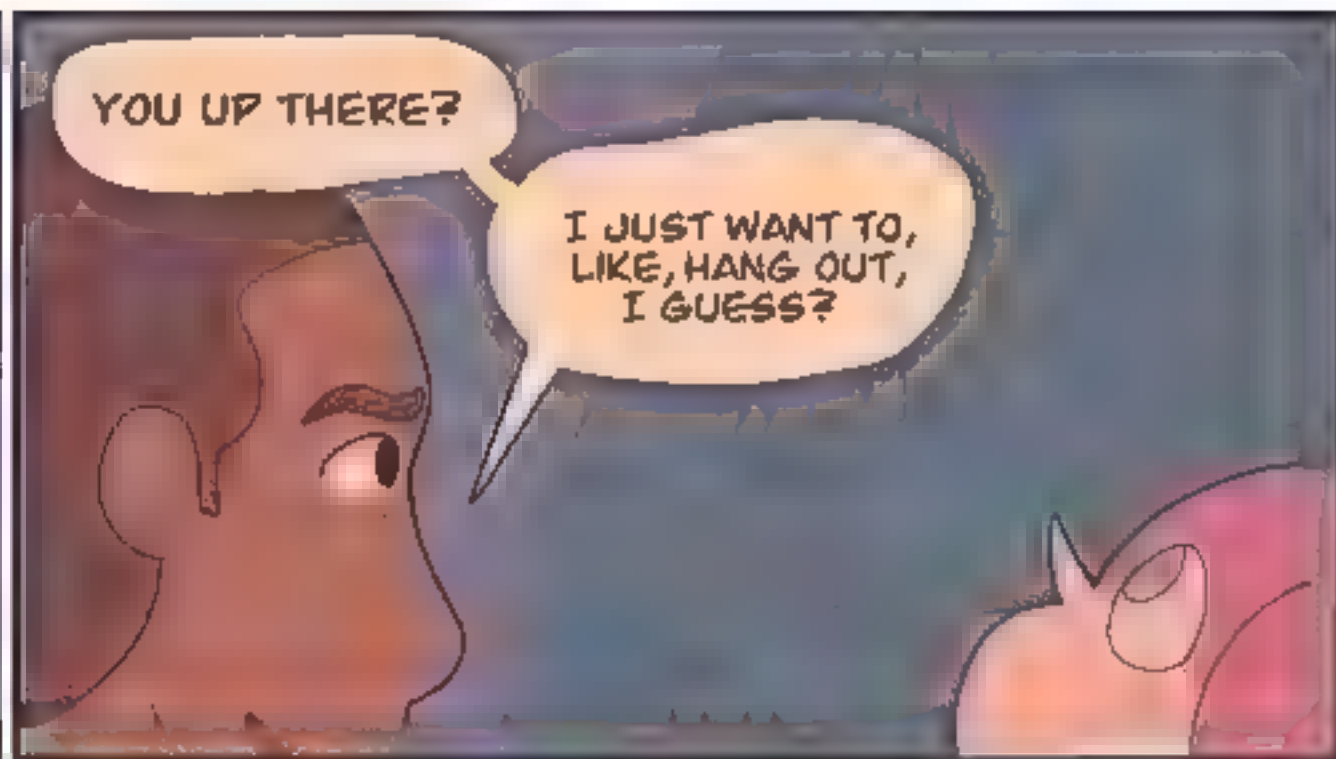
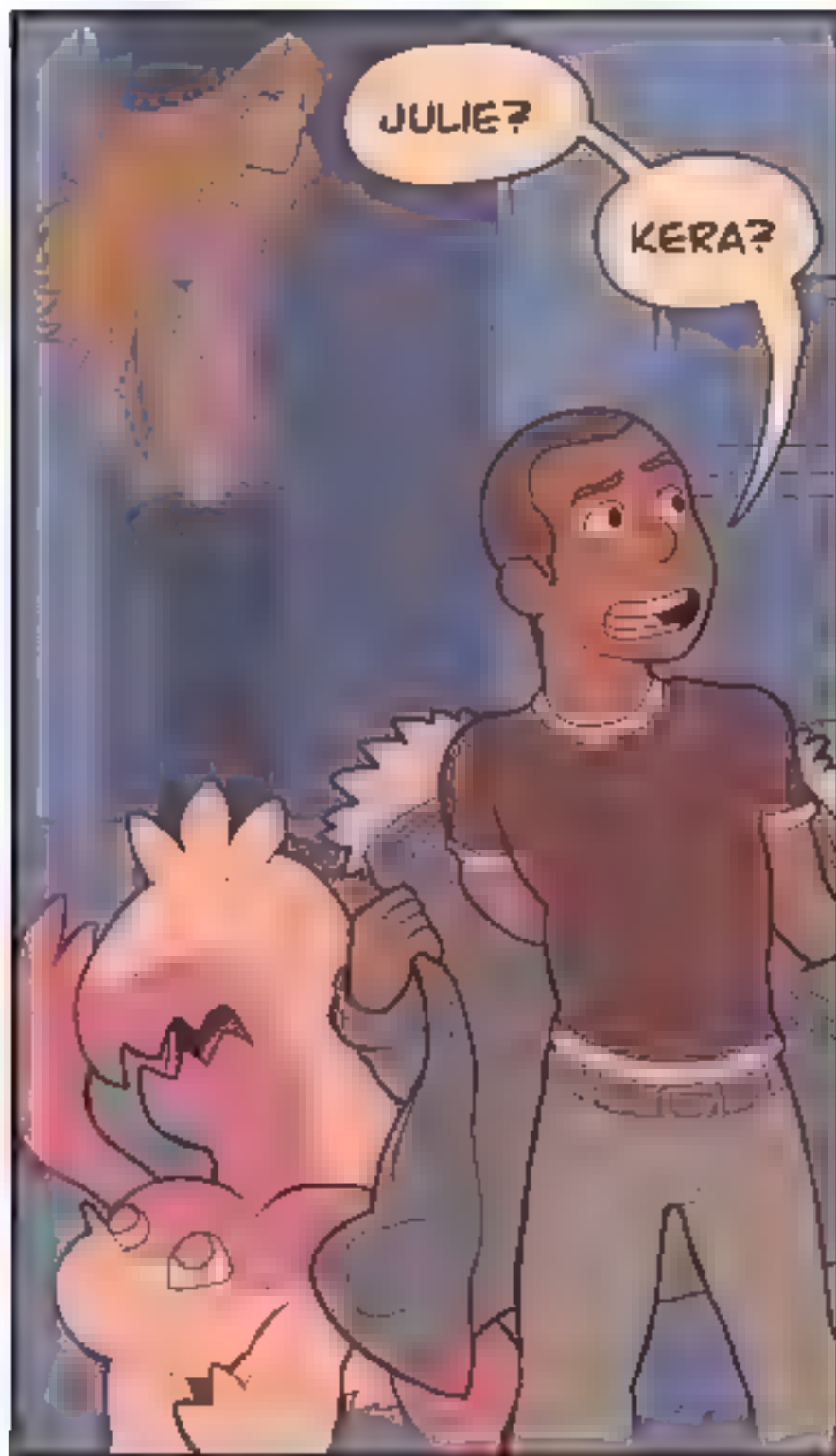












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